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Pictured right: Councilmember Sherwood, Councilmember Chavira and daughters Amnesty & Serenity during the countdown on stage for the **Third Annual Westgate Firework Fest** presented by Desert Diamond Casinos and Entertainment West Valley.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ON GLENDALE TODAY

Councilmember Sherwood highlights one of Glendale's community partners, Habitat for Humanity Central Arizona, in his new edition of the TV show "Glendale Today". Pictured right: Councilmember Sherwood talks with friend Roger Schwierjohn, President and CEO of the organization, about how the group has been providing affordable housing to families in Glendale for more than 15 years. Schwierjohn discusses Habitat's history, their mission to help folks who would otherwise not qualify for home loans, volunteers, funding and their partnership with the city. Viewers also get an inside look at the process prospective homeowners go through, a look at some of the more than 120

for the group. homeowner who later became a volunteer for the group. Councilmember Sherwood is passionate about Habitat's mission, attending more than 45 housing events since becoming a Councilmember. He also shares how residents can get involved and volunteer with Habitat.

The show begins airing July 10 at 8 p.m.

SOUND-OFF QUESTION.

Here's another sampling of the Arizona Republic's "sound-off" which runs in Saturday's Glendale community section asking West Valley elected officials to weigh in on that week's question. This one ran in late May.

Response times for the fire department in Glendale are higher than the national average due to increasing numbers of calls and relatively flat budget funding due to the Great Recession, fire officials say. What is your city's average response time and will the coming fiscal year's budget maintain or improve this?

The American Heart Association's scientific position is that brain death and permanent death start to occur in 4-6 minutes after someone experiences cardiac arrest. Verifying this standard are studies showing that a victim's chances of survival are reduced by 7%-10% with every minute that passes without defibrillation and advanced life support intervention. Glendale's response times for calls within the city's boundaries are currently averaging 7 minutes and 57 seconds. Last year, a very high call volume as identified as over 3000 calls per year existed in six of our twelve stations. The vast majority of fire stations in the valley operate at a moderate call volume of 1000-1999 per year per

SHERWOOD'S ADVISORY GROUP

Councilmember Sherwood is putting together an advisory board and he wants you to be a part of it! This group will exist mostly through emails, in which the councilmember will run ideas past the group and ask for input and opinion.

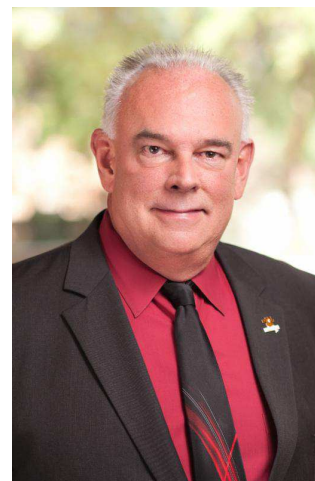
If you are interested in being part of Sherwood's Advisory Group (SAG) or would like more information, please email Emily Michael at emichael@glendaleaz.com.

THIS WEEK *with* COUNCILMEMBER SHERWOOD.

Greetings Sahuaro Residents,

Travels & Events Attended -

- **July 4th** Councilmember Sammy Chavira and myself were invited to do the countdown on stage for the **third annual Westgate Firework Fest** presented by Desert Diamond Casinos and Entertainment West Valley. The entertainment district was packed with an estimate of close to 40,000 people.
- **July 9th** Attended a ribbon cutting ceremony of **Dignity Health Arizona General Hospital Emergency Room**, the second freestanding emergency room by Dignity in Arizona. This 6400 sq. ft. facility is located at 5171 West Olive Ave. and will be a full-service emergency room, licensed by the state, and open 24-7. The new facility will be staffed by board-certified physicians, emergency trained registered nurses and radiology technologists and equipped with a full radiology suite and an accredited laboratory.
- **July 9th** There was another full house at Black Bear Diner for **Coffee with a Cop** where much of the discussion was centered on Nextdoor, a private social network for you, your neighbors and your community. It's the easiest way for you and your neighbors to talk online and make all of your lives better in the real world. And it's free. It's currently



voted to adopt the tentative budget without any consideration to begin addressing our issue. I voted in the minority.

COMING UP

Neighborhood Forum with

Glendale Fire - Councilmember Gary Sherwood of the Sahuaro District will host his next Neighborhood meeting with Glendale Firefighters in this open format forum. The first part of the meeting will be about fire safety and how Glendale citizens can help during the summer months. The second portion of the forum will address any general city/district issues or concerns from residents. Councilmember Sherwood is looking forward to discussing fire safety and city issues with Glendale Firefighters as well as Sahuaro residents. Upon request, fire station tours will be available after the forum. It will be held at **Fire Station 159 (17159 N 63rd Ave, Glendale, AZ 85308) on July 22, from 5:30-7:00 pm.**

being refined as it's only been in use for Glendale residents for a few weeks and that's where most of the discussions centered on, how to make it more centralized for our immediate neighborhoods.

The mission is to use the power of technology to build stronger and safer communities everywhere. The city current encourages neighborhood block watch programs and it is hoped that Nextdoor can be a big assist for current block watch programs as well as created addition ones.

Light Rail - There's been two community working group meetings thus far with close to forty individuals participating. Thus far, everyone has been very open to the notion of this coming thru Glendale in the next decade and weighing all of the moving parts, especially during construction phase. In my August meeting, we'll have some conversation on it and we'll have some folks from Valley Metro. Again, the exact light rail routing needs to go to council vote in the first quarter of next year and pretty much have the entire community working group recommendations complete by October. Even though construction doesn't begin until 2022, being there's federal funding involved, there are a lot of extra steps that need to occur.

Councilmember Gary Sherwood

ECONOMIST VIEW

Here's a couple of blog post from national economists, Dr. Elliot Eisenberg. This is from two nights ago:

Oily Overtures Oil has suddenly fallen from \$60/bbl to \$52/bbl, near the multi-year low of \$45/bbl set in Q1/15. This is because: Iran plans to increase exports once sanctions are lifted, OPEC is increasing production, US oil-rig counts rose for the first time in 29 weeks last week, US production is the highest since 1971, crude oil stockpiles are rising and China, which accounts for 30% of global demand growth, is slowing.

Here's another one from last night on same subject:

Pricy Petrol While crude prices decline, pump prices are up. It's because in summer we drive slightly more and refiners must switch to summer blends which evaporate

GLENDAL COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

- **Westgate Wednesdays!** Come to the Westgate Entertainment District on Wednesday nights for free weekly summer fun! Enjoy music, games, prizes and dancing. Plus, meet your favorite film characters and get a free downloadable photo with them each week. Every week will offer a distinctive family-fun experience with different themes, unique games and new characters. The weekly Wednesday night events run from **June 3 - July 29 from 6 -7:30 p.m. at Westgate's Fountain Park.** July 15: Princess & Pirate Party with The Little Mermaid & Captain Jack July 22: Super Hero Sensation with Spider Man July 29: Frozen Fiesta with Anna and Elsa
- **Free Summer Band Concerts Bring Music to Downtown Glendale Summer Evenings.** The West Valley's favorite summer tradition takes place **each Thursday at 8 p.m. and runs through July 23**, in the Murphy Park Amphitheater, located at 58th and Glenn Dr. Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by this community band of approximately 100 musicians with its

slower and cost more. Moreover, because there are many different summer fuel-blends required by the EPA, refiners have more pricing power than in winter when there are few. Thus, the average price of gasoline rises by about 50 cents from winter trough to spring peak.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE

The Glendale City Council has expressed specific interest in hearing feedback from Glendale residents. An ordinance, if adopted, would protect the rights of Glendale citizens and visitors from discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations.

The schedule for the public meetings are:

- **Saturday, July 25** (10 a.m.-12 p.m.) Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. Glendale, AZ 85308. Sign in begins at 9:30 a.m.
- **Thursday, July 30** (6 - 8 p.m.) Renaissance Glendale Hotel & Spa, 9495 W. Coyotes Blvd. Glendale, AZ 85305. Sign in begins at 5:30 p.m.

If you cannot attend any of the meetings but would like to offer input, you can leave comments on a recorded phone line at 623-930-2255 or email GlendaleFeedback@glendaleaz.com. Please know that all written and spoken comments will become part of the official record of public input for this process. For more information, please contact the Glendale City Manager's Office at 623-930-2870.

inspiring renditions of marches, polkas, movie medleys and other tunes from all over the world.

- **Exhibit from Behind the Badge Displayed At Gallery Glendale** - An exhibit of more than 28 compelling images of law enforcement and firefighters from across the state of Arizona, including Glendale Police and Fire departments, Ziemba's collection, "Stronger Than Steel: The Art of First Response - The Arizona Public Safety Collection", will be on display at **Gallery Glendale located inside Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd.**, in the month of July. Gallery Glendale is **free and open to the public on Fridays and Saturdays from 6 to 9 p.m.**
- **Glendale Splash Pads.** Cool off and have fun for FREE at one of Glendale's two splash pads! The location and hours of the two splash pads are:
Heroes Park Splash Pad - 83rd Ave. & Berridge Ln. (on 83rd Ave., just north of Bethany Home Rd.).
 ***May 23 - August 9: open daily from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
 ***August 15 - September 7: open weekends only from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sycamore Grove Park Splash Pad - 86th Lane and Emil Rovey Parkway.
 ***May 25 - September 7; open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- **"Be Glendale Monsoon Ready"** With the monsoon season officially upon us, Glendale 11 TV debuts "Monsoon: Eye on the Storm" to inform residents of important safety resources, featuring experts from the Glendale Fire and Police departments and features CBS 5 anchor Sean McLaughlin and the CBS 5 team of meteorologists. The show will air **each Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m.** and various times throughout the week.

GLENDALE PUBLIC SAFETY



- **Next Coffee with a Cop Gatherings:**
 - **Tuesday July 21st 6:00p @ Manuel's - 5670 W. Peoria Ave**
 - **Wednesday August 19th 9:00a Parson's Rest. - 5921 W Northern Ave**
 - **Wednesday August 19th 6:30p @ Dillon's BBQ - 20585 N 59th Ave**
- **Glendale Earns 2015 Secretary of Defense Freedom Award.** On Thursday, June 25, the City of Glendale was awarded the 2015 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award, the Nation's highest honor given to employers for exceptional support of Guard and Reserve employees. The city was nominated for the prestigious award by three officers who are active military. They nominated the police department and the City of Glendale because of the support given to them and their families during their military service. "It is truly an honor to receive this award from the Department of Defense. We are incredibly fortunate here in Glendale because these valued service men and women graciously bring their military experience home and apply it in their work each and every day to better our city," Mayor Jerry Weiers said. The City of Glendale and the police department was one of 15 employers from across the nation selected to receive the prestigious award. "These outstanding employers have not only earned this award, they have earned this Nation's gratitude," said Defense Secretary Ash Carter. "I am truly honored to recognize these 15 organizations for their unwavering support of our military men and women and their families. Their accomplishments are a vital piece of our National defense and a high standard toward which all employers of Guard and Reserve members should strive." Glendale employs more than 70 Guard members, Reservists and veterans just in the police department alone. The city also has a strong reintegration program for returning service members to help them ease back into their civilian roles.
- **Hot Cars Can Kill** - Watch this public service video.
- **Heat Relief.** The following facilities will be open during normal hours of operation, **to any person or family seeking "respite and hydration"**: the lobby areas of the Glendale Adult Center, Foothills Recreation and Aquatics, the three libraries, the Communication Action Program office, and the lobby area of Community Housing. We will provide bottled water and place to cool off, if needed. If there are issues with homelessness or a need for utility assistance: Becky Daniel 623-930-2853) and the CAP staff will do their best to assist.
- **Glendale Police Promote A Summer Of Safety.** In an effort to keep our children safe this summer, the Glendale Police Department would like to inform parents and children about city ordinances that outline curfew for those under the age of 18. Juveniles under the age of 16 have a curfew of 10:00pm-5:00am. Those 16 and older have a curfew of 12:00am-5:00am. It is also a violation for a parent or guardian to allow a juvenile to violate the curfews that are in place.

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